Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
Request for Review of Decision of the Universal Service Administrative Company by)))	
International Telcom, Ltd.)	
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.))	CC Docket No. 97-21

ORDER

Adopted: August 20, 2002 Released: August 21, 2002

By the Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. This Order dismisses the Request for Review filed by International Telcom, Ltd. (International Telcom). International Telcom seeks review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator) on June 27, 2001. The Commission received International Telcom's Request for Review on November 6, 2001.
- 2. For requests seeking review of decisions issued before August 13, 2001, under section 54.720(b) of the Commission's rules, an appeal must be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the issuance of the decision the party seeks to have reviewed.⁴ Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission only upon receipt.⁵ The 30-day deadline contained

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¹ Request for Review by International Telcom Ltd. of Decision of Universal Service Administrator, filed November 6, 2001 (Request for Review).

² Letter from Universal Service Administrative Company, to Ken Hanks, International Telcom, Ltd., dated June 27, 2001. Section 54.719(c) of the Commission's rules provides that any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of the Administrator may seek review from the Commission. 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c).

³ See Request for Review.

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b).

⁵ 47 C.F.R. § 1.7.

in section 54.720(b) of the Commission's rules applies to all such requests for review filed by a party affected by a decision issued by the Administrator. Because the instant Request for Review was not filed within the requisite 30-day period, it will be dismissed without further consideration.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to authority delegated under sections 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a), that the Request for Review filed on November 6, 2001, by International Telcom Ltd., IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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⁶ We note that, due to recent disruptions in the reliability of the mail service, the 30-day appeal period has been extended by an additional 30 days for requests for review of decisions issued on or after August 13, 2001. See Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, FCC 01-376 (rel. Dec. 26, 2001), as corrected by Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Errata (Com. Car. Bur. rel. Dec. 28, 2001 and Jan. 4, 2002).